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SUBJECT: US-USSR MARITIME AGREEMENT

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1. AT LUNCHEON JANUARY 10 HOSTED BY DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND SENIOR OFFICIAL OF USA/CANADA INSTITUTE, LATTER ASKED E/C COUNSELOR AS FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS ABOUT OUTCOME OF MARITIME TALKS. COUNSELOR EXPLAINED THAT TALKS HAD BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL, WITH POTENTIALLY ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES FOR MARITIME AGREEMENT AND WERE NOT A HOPEFUL SIGN FOR OUR MUTUALLY DESIRED IMPROVEMENT IN BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS. AFTER LISTENING TO THIS ACCOUNT, SOVIET OFFICIAL MADE NO COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE BUT INQUIRED: "BUT ISN'T IT LIKELY THAT THE NEW ADMINISTRATION WILL WANT TO TAKE A FRESH LOOK AT THE ISSUE?" COUNSELOR DECLINED TO SPECULATE ON WHAT NEW ADMINISTRATION MIGHT DO BUT EXPRESSED REGRET THAT SUCH A CONTENTIOUS ISSUE HAD NOT BEEN RESOLVED, AS WE HAD BEEN HOPING, IN A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY MANNER.

2. COMMENT: WE VIEW REMARKS BY SOVIET OFFICIAL, WHO
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OBVIOUSLY HAD BEEN BRIEFED IN ADVANCE ON THIS SUBJECT,
AS SUGGESTIVE OF WHY SOVIETS MAY HAVE GAMBLED THEY
COULD SPURN AGREEMENT IN LATEST ROUND OF MARITIME
NEGOTIATIONS.

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